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Applicant: ANDREAS CHRISTEN ET AL.
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated April 22, 2003, Applicants provisionally elect Group I, (Claims 1-7), without prejudice to their right to file one or more divisional applications covering the subject matter of the remaining claims.

If there are any questions regarding this response or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and

please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit
Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #225/50206).

Respectfully submitted,

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